

# Al Tarteel Lesson 24

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تفخيم الراء و ترقيق الراء

**Thickness and Thinness of letter Raa**

## What is Tafkheem and Tarqeeq

تفخيم

Tafkheem means :  
**Heaviness, Thickness**

ترقيق

Tarqeeq means :  
**Lightness, Thinness**

## Attributes and properties of Arabic Letters

In terms of pronunciation all Arabic letters can be recognised by their attributes and properties and they may fall into three groups:

- The letters which are always pronounced with thick and heavy sound. In this way they have permanent Tafkheem quality. طَابَ
- The letters which are always articulated with a thin and light sound and they have the quality of Tarqeeq. تَابَ
- The letters which are pronounced sometimes with a thick and heavy sound and at other times with a thin and light sound and subject to certain conditions. (Remember the rule of Laam-ul-Jalalah)

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ - اِنَّ اللّٰهَ - اتَّقُوا اللّٰهَ

Another letter in this category is the Letter: RAA ( ر )

This letter is also conditional in its pronunciation.

Chapter 101  
Suratul Qari'ah

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ ﴿١﴾

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فَهُوَ فِی عِیشَةٍ رَّاضِیَةٍ ﴿٨﴾ وَ أَمَّا مَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ ﴿٩﴾ فَأُمُّهُ  
هَٰوِیَةٌ ﴿١٠﴾ وَ مَا أَذْرٰكُ مَا هِیَةٌ ﴿١١﴾ نَارٌ حَامِیَةٌ ﴿١٢﴾

**When is the letter Raa pronounced  
with a thick and heavy sound ?**

**Remember the Rule:**

**The letter RAA will be pronounced with a thick and heavy sound when it has any of the following three conditions:**

When it carries a Fat'hah or a Dhammah without a Shaddah or with a Shaddah:

رَبِّ - رَبَّمَا - الْبِرِّ - مَرُّوا

When it carries a Tanween of Fat'hah or Dhammah without a Shaddah or with a Shaddah:

نَارًا - نَارًا - شَرًّا - دُرًّا

When it is Saakin (mute) and the previous letter carries either a Fat'hah or a Dhammah:

أَرْسَلَ - يُرْزِقُونَ

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## Assignment

Recite **Suratul Qamar** (chapter 54) in Part 27 at least three times with due attention and care, keeping in mind the learnt rule (**Tafkheem of "Raa"**).

This small Surah has only 56 verses and 3 sections but is very rich in terms of practising this rule. Each verse ends up with the letter "Raa".

**Total Raa examples: 104**

***Remember: Practice leads to perfection***